GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Department of Human Services Early Care and Education Administration



PUBLIC NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Unified Communications Center (UCC) CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER OPERATION RFA #0721-07

The District of Columbia Department of Human Services (DHS), Early Care and Education Administration (ECEA) seeks to provide a grant to an organization capable of providing services at the Unified Communications Center (UCC) Child Development Center (CDC) located at 2720 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE, Washington, DC. The proposed site contains 9,128 net square feet of program space. The CDC shall provide high quality, developmentally appropriate child care for a maximum of eighty-four (84) children from infant to Preschool, seven (7) days per week, twenty-three (23) hours a day with a minimum of eighteen (18) hours of operation during the initial start-up phase. The chosen Provider shall demonstrate the experience, ability, and capability to initiate 23/7 services once the CDC is fully operational.

The total amount available for this grant is \$150,000. The source of funding is committed from the Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant.

The grant award shall be for an initial period of two (2) years from the date of the award, beginning Fiscal Year 2006. Upon satisfactory performance, availability of funds, and at the discretion of the District, three (3) one-year renewable options may be exercised by the District.

The Request for Application (RFA) will be available on June 19, 2006. Applications and selection criteria may be obtained from the Office of Partnerships and Grants Development website, www.opgd.dc.gov. Follow the link to District Grants Clearinghouse or from Ms. Priscilla Burnett, Program Assistant, DHS/Office of Grants Management at (202) 671-4407, or via email at priscilla.burnett@dc.gov.

The Pre-Application Conference will be held on July 10, 2006, from 2:00 until 5:00 pm, at the Unified Communications Center, CDC, 2720 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20032. Please RSVP to Ms. Priscilla Burnett, Program Assistant, DHS/Office of Grants Management at (202) 671-4407.

The deadline for application submission is July 21, 2006, 2:00 pm EST.

